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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of inventor(s) Alan E. Shluzas

or (title) AN APPARATUS FOR CONNECTING A LONGITUDINAL MEMBER TO A BONE PORTION

Enclosed are:

Papers Required for Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

13 Pages of specification

1 Pages Abstract

9 Pages of claims

3 Sheets of drawing (Figs. 1-3)

☒ formal

☐ informal

In addition to the above papers there is also attached (1 pg.) and SIX (6) references.

An executed Information Disclosure Statement (3 pgs.) PTO Form 1449

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date: March 1, 2002 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number ET-756078915US addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C.

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☒ Enclosed (Executed)
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3 Language:
☒ English
☐ Non-English
☐ A verified English translation of the
☐ specification and claims
☐ declaration
is attached

4 Assignment:
☒ An assignment of the invention to Endius Incorporated
☒ is attached
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Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee	
			\$ 370.00	
Total Claims	28	20	8	X
Independent Claims	2	3	0	X
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any			0	
			\$ 9.00	72.00
			\$ 42.00	0.00
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